## HOUSE BILL 498 By DuBois

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 3 and Title 40, relative to stalking.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-315, is amended by deleting subsection (b) and substituting instead the following:

(b)

- (1) Stalking is a Class E felony.
- (2) A second or subsequent violation occurring within seven (7) years of the prior conviction that involves different victims is a Class D felony.
- (3) A second or subsequent violation occurring within seven (7) years of the prior conviction that involves the same victim is a Class C felony.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005 the public welfare requiring it.